

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY ALLIANCE

Friend—

We have 100 months until 2030! Climate progress at our current pace is not good enough.

But, we have part of the solution—Cool Blocks! The NCSA is partnering with Los Angeles's [Climate Emergency Mobilization Office](#) and many other organizations to bring **Cool Blocks** to LA and to bring people together to create the neighborhoods we want to live in and reduce our impact on the environment. **Please seriously consider attending a *Cool Block Café* information meeting** to find out more about becoming a Cool Block Leader.

Cool Blocks LA uses a proven neighbor-to-neighbor model that has helped thousands of people make their neighborhoods safer and healthier, prepare for disasters, save money, and lighten their environmental impact. You can green your neighborhood, make it safer to walk in, or **decide with your neighbors to do whatever is right for your area.**

How do Cool Blocks work?

- Cool Blocks LA is a free 5-month, 9-meeting, action-based program.
- It is self-directed by a team of 5 to 8 households, recruited by you, on your block (defined as both sides of the street up to the corners, a cul-de-sac, or an apartment building).
- A meeting is hosted and facilitated by a different team member in his/her/their home (or via Zoom!) every two weeks with the support of a step-by-step meeting guide.
- Each 90-minute to 2-hour meeting focuses on a distinct topic connected to **reducing your carbon footprint, conserving water, preparing for disasters, or improving the quality of life in your neighborhood.**

What would I do as a Cool Block Leader?

Every Cool Block Leader will be trained and have ongoing coaching and support. The time required is about 3 to 4 hours a week for 5 months.

The hyperlocal nature of Cool Blocks makes it one of the most effective things we can do to create a world where people work together, look out for each other, and share things and ideas to transform the way we live for the better.

How do I learn more and sign up?

There are 5 information sessions scheduled within the next week. You can sign up here:

[Thursday, August 26 from 1 to 3pm](#)

[Saturday, August 28 from 10 am to noon](#)

[Sunday, August 29 from 10 am to noon](#)

[Monday, August 30 from 4 to 6 pm](#)

[Tuesday, August 31 from 7 to 9 pm](#)

We'll be offering some cafés in Spanish.

Spread the word!

Please invite your networks and others to participate, too! Being a Cool Block Leader can be a great leadership development/organizing opportunity.

And you can help spread the word via social media:

facebook.com/events/340620607759156

instagram.com/p/CS8NumtP5Pm/

twitter.com/LA_NCSA/status/1429986747153227784

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Thank you!